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INTRODUCTION

In support of its general service monitoring and evaluation policies, the Rand Library conducted a library user's evaluation survey during February and March of 1975. The survey questionnaires were distributed through the interoffice mail to all Rand full time exempt employees. The basic objectives of the survey involved the collection of sufficient baseline data describing user characteristics, usage, and satisfaction parameters to enable specific Library policy alternatives to be evaluated. To determine user reaction to present and possible future policies and services, some specific objectives were:

1. To measure the professional staff's usage and satisfaction with each of the library's services and collection components.
2. To evaluate the degree to which several different policy changes might affect the frequency of usage and the level of user satisfaction with specific services and collection components.
3. To collect additional information on use patterns for specific service and collection components.
4. To relate data on usage and satisfaction parameters to user characteristics in order to facilitate the evaluation of the impact of future changes in the composition of the Rand research staff and research direction on the Library's service and collection components.
5. To relate data on usage and satisfaction parameters to user characteristics in order to evaluate the services supplied and the collection utility for particular user groups and categories.
6. To create baseline data for critical demand, usage, and satisfaction dimensions for future use in monitoring and evaluating library performance over time and conducting trend analysis on demand and usage patterns.

The "Rand Library Evaluation Survey" operationalized many of these concerns. The codebook gives a brief overview of the survey instrument design, the data collection methodology, the data reduction process and the

structure and distribution of the data, including actual response frequencies. The preliminary analysis is included to provide the policy context for the survey and some additional interpretive information. The codebook section functions as a basic reference document for all of some 115 variables, and indicates relevant cross tabulations and potential demand and usage models.

PRELIMINARY RESULTS

This section is intended to provide a brief overview of the actions the Library has taken in response to preliminary findings and special tabulations analyzing usage, satisfaction, success in acquiring materials, and responses to policy issues.

The value of the questionnaire is in the Library's ability to understand and interpret the responses in such a way as to improve services and/or introduce new ones. While on the whole the questionnaire returns indicate that the research staff rates the Library as doing a good job, they also indicate there is room for improvement. Because a year has passed since the distribution of the questionnaire, it is possible to report on some improvements introduced by the Library in response to the results, for example:

- o Control of unclassified circulation has been transferred to the Library and materials are now charged directly to the borrower.
- o New book purchases are ordered by telephone from a book dealer and sent United Parcel, reducing paperwork and delay time.
- o Our Washington Office Library is used to obtain Government Printing Office publications, increasing availability and reducing delay time.
- o Interlibrary loan requests are sent via teletype; the Library has joined the Southern California Interlibrary Loan Network to speed interlibrary loan service.
- o Improved claims procedures have been implemented to control periodical subscriptions.
- o The Tables of Contents service is being accelerated to reduce unnecessary routing of periodicals and increase everyone's access to current issues.
- o Reference and literature search services have been geared up to respond to the needs of proposal writers, including a fund to purchase on-line bibliographic data base searches when required.

- o Special subject catalogs in specific program areas (e.g., criminal justice, health sciences, energy, intelligence) have been produced as by-products of the Automated Catalog System.

There are other actions under consideration to improve service response, e.g., a brochure describing library services, accelerated ordering of materials through increased use of prepayment, reorganization of some service sections, direct on-line access to the CIRC intelligence data base, and a more specialized classified reference service.

The questionnaire also confirmed as problem areas several key library services which have long been considered problems with seemingly no satisfactory solutions, for example, the circulation/recall and periodicals routing services. These service areas will remain problems because the responses regarding alternative solutions (mandatory recall and/or loan periods, table of contents instead of periodicals routing) offer no clear mandate. The problems remain, perhaps better defined, certainly tied to the library use behavior patterns of the research staff and definitely in need of more analysis and work on the part of library management.

As was previously mentioned, the codebook includes the response frequencies for all questions. However, because of the potential interest in the questions measuring library use and satisfaction levels, success in acquiring library materials and responses to the policy issues, special tabulations of results follow, displayed in order of importance or rank.

USE

The ranking by mean shows that the services which are engaged in location and delivery of library materials are the heaviest used services, e.g. circulation, periodicals, SDI service, interlibrary loan and the Order Department. These are followed by library services which support the location and delivery services by identifying publications: card catalog, information and reference, accessions list, and table of contents. (See Table 1.0).

Table 1.0
SERVICES RANKED BY MEAN FREQUENCY OF USE*
(Question 8)

Service	Mean	Use Frequencies by Percent			% Didn't Know Service Existed	
		% Don't Use	Less than once every 3 mos; at least once every 3 mos.	At least once a month		At least once every 2 weeks at least once a week
A. Unclassified Circulation	3.7	6.1	36.0	24.8	30.5	0.6
S. Document Control Center	3.5	22.8	25.3	15.1	33.1	1.5
F. Periodical Collection Service	3.2	15.1	29.6	21.6	18.9	2.5
G. SDI Service	3.0	26.1	24.6	18.0	19.6	8.0
I. Interlibrary Loan	2.9	14.8	55.0	15.7	24.0	0.3
J. Order Dept.	2.8	16.1	50.4	19.3	25.0	1.5
K. Unclassified Card Catalog	2.8	18.0	50.8	14.8	13.4	0.3
C. Information Service	2.7	20.3	46.0	16.7	10.8	3.1
D. Reference Service	2.7	20.0	49.2	15.4	10.8	2.2
M. Unclassified Accessions List	2.6	39.6	21.5	13.5	17.0	5.1
H. Current Tables of Contents	2.5	33.5	23.1	7.6	13.4	17.3
B. Classified Circulation	2.0	55.4	23.5	8.3	8.5	0.9
E. Bibliographic Literature Search	1.8	38.6	50.3	1.8	0.9	4.8
L. Classified Card Catalog	1.8	56.1	27.6	8.0	2.7	1.2
N. Classified Accessions List	1.7	66.1	13.0	4.1	6.9	5.4
O. Classified Reading Room	1.6	65.1	22.4	4.5	2.5	2.5
P. Intelligence Facility	1.6	61.8	21.3	5.1	2.4	6.4
Q. Maps	1.6	54.8	36.0	2.5	2.8	3.8
R. Slavic/Oriental Lib.	1.3	83.1	6.6	0.6	4.6	2.2

*The following scale should be used to interpret the table:

Don't use.....	1	At least once every 2 weeks.....	5
Less than once every 3 months.....	2	At least once a week.....	6
At least once every 3 months.....	3	Didn't know service existed.....	9
At least once a month.....	4		

AVERAGE USE PER RESEARCHER

Table 2.0 is based on data from question 8 and shows that on the average the Rand researcher uses the Library 10 to 23 times per month. If it is assumed that the 30% non-respondents to the questionnaire are zero users (unlikely) then in the worst case the lower bound average use per researcher would be 7 times per month ($.70 \times 10 + .30 \times 0$) and the upper bound would be 16 ($.70 \times 23 + .30 \times 0$). In both cases (with or without the 30% non-respondents) the results seem reasonable considering the nature of library use, which is that a use of one service very often results in a use of one or more other services. For instance a search of the card catalog most often results in the use of circulation services which could lead to use of the order or interlibrary loan services, and a use of reference services usually leads to the use of order, interlibrary loan, periodicals and circulation services. Thus an average of 10 or more uses per month per researcher can be considered reasonable.

Table 2.0
AVERAGE USE PER RESEARCHER PER 3 MONTHS*

Service	Lower Bound	Upper Bound
A. Unclassified Circulation	3.9 uses	8.3 uses
B. Classified Circulation	1.2	2.6
C. Information Service	1.6	3.8
D. Reference Service	1.5	3.7
E. Bibliographic Literature Search	.25	1.0
F. Periodical Collection Service	2.7	6.0
G. SDI Service	2.7	5.8
H. Current Table of Contents	1.6	3.5
I. Interlibrary Loan	1.8	4.3
J. Order Department	1.7	3.9
K. Unclassified Card Catalog	1.9	4.3
L. Classified Card Catalog	.7	1.7
M. Unclassified Accessions List	2.1	4.5
N. Classified Accessions List	.8	1.8
O. Classified Reading Room	.4	1.1
P. Intelligence Facility	.5	1.2
Q. Maps	.2	.7
R. Slavic/Oriental Library	.3	1.1
S. Document Control Center	4.3	9.0

Total Average Use =	30.2	68.3
Average Use <u>Per Month</u> =	10	23

*The following scale was used to compute the average use per researcher per three months. The non-respondents were ignored.

Response	Questionnaire Code	Lower Scale	Upper Scale
Don't use	1	0	0
Less than once every 3 months	2	0	1
At least once every 3 months	3	1	3
At least once a month	4	3	6.5
At least once every 2 weeks	5	6.5	13
At least once a week	6	13	26
Didn't know service existed	9	0	0

SATISFACTION

Question 9 measured the level of satisfaction with various library services. The ranking of satisfaction by mean shows that users generally view the library in a positive way; researchers' reactions to library services range somewhere between more than neutral to satisfied. The table following shows these results ranked by mean satisfaction.

Table 3.0
SERVICES RANKED BY MEAN LEVEL OF SATISFACTION*

Service	Mean	Percent Satisfied			% Didn't Know Service Existed
		Very Dissatisfied; Dissatisfied	Neutral; Satisfied	Very Satisfied	
D. Reference service	4.0	1.8	54.4	37.9	2.5
I. Interlibrary loan	4.0	3.4	63.7	28.9	0.6
F. Periodical collection service	3.9	3.7	64.3	26.7	2.2
C. Information service	3.9	1.2	62.5	29.2	3.1
S. Document Control Centers	3.8	7.3	58.9	25.7	0.3
J. Order Department	3.7	8.8	67.3	18.2	1.5
A. Unclassified circulation	3.6	12.8	68.0	15.7	0.6
G. SDI service	3.6	5.7	65.1	22.7	7.3
B. Classified circulation	3.5	1.2	70.5	11.8	2.8
E. Bibliographic literature search	3.5	3.7	70.5	14.4	5.1
H. Current tables of contents	3.4	3.1	67.6	20.5	13.5
K. Unclassified card catalog	3.4	7.5	76.9	9.5	1.2
M. Unclassified accessions lists	3.4	5.0	68.2	13.8	4.8
L. Classified card catalog	3.3	2.4	55.1	6.6	2.5
N. Classified accessions lists	3.3	1.2	71.5	11.1	5.7
P. Intelligence facility	3.3	1.8	70.5	12.1	6.4
O. Classified Reading Room	3.2	4.0	73.0	7.2	3.1
Q. Maps	3.2	6.3	74.1	7.9	4.1
R. Slavic/Oriental Library	3.2	0.3	74.4	4.1	3.5

*The scale to interpret the mean is

- Very dissatisfied..... 1
- Dissatisfied..... 2
- Neutral..... 3
- Satisfied..... 4
- Very satisfied..... 5

It is not unusual to see those services which involve considerable interaction between users and library staff at the higher end of the satisfaction scale. Nor is it surprising to note that the heaviest used service -- unclassified circulation -- received the highest dissatisfaction rating. This is one of the areas identified by the Library as a problem area.

AVAILABILITY OF MATERIALS

Availability of library materials is very critical if the Library is to satisfy the informational needs of the research staff. As Table 4.0 indicates, the mean level of success is slightly better than 3 on the scale (often get item in time) for the most heavily used materials -- periodicals, reports, books. However, it is clear there is room for improvement in the case of books and current periodicals especially, where almost 15% of the respondents never or seldom get their material in time.

Question 10 measured the level of success experienced in library users in acquiring materials.

Table 4.0
COLLECTION COMPONENTS RANKED BY MEAN*
LEVEL OF SUCCESS IN ACQUIRING LIBRARY MATERIALS

Service	Mean	% 1-2	% 3-4	% 5	% Don't Use
E. Classified reports	3.8	2.8	30.6	6.7	55.1
F. Maps	3.8	2.1	20.8	4.8	65.4
C. Back issue of periodicals	3.7	3.8	61.4	11.2	19.0
G. Interlibrary loan	3.7	7.3	59.0	12.8	17.0
D. Unclassified reports	3.6	9.9	56.9	10.0	20.0
A. Books	3.4	14.3	67.3	6.1	9.6
B. Current issue of periodical	3.4	14.7	53.8	8.3	20.3

*The scale to interpret the mean is:

- 1 - Never get item in time.
- 2 - Seldom get item in time.
- 3 - Often get item in time.
- 4 - Usually get item in time.
- 5 - Always get item in time.

POLICY CHANGES

Table 5.0 ranks by mean the responses to questions regarding policy changes or new services. Most of the responses indicated there would be an increase in use of the Library if any of these policies were implemented.

WRITTEN COMMENTS

The questionnaire was designed to provide for written comments to selected specific and general open-ended questions. Because of the large number and variety of responses covering specific and broad topics including circulation, periodical routing, personnel budget, physical layout, new services, cataloging, reference and order services, it is difficult to provide a meaningful summary. The only clear signals were the large number of comments on the circulation/recall system (80) and the periodicals service (152), confirming these as problem areas.

A copy of the comments grouped by topic area is available for perusal in the Head Librarian's office.

Table 5.0
POLICY CHANGES RANKED BY MEAN*
(Question 20)

Policy.	Mean	% No Effect	% Slightly Increase	% Greatly Increase	% Very Greatly Increase
J. Maintaining a Reading Room with current issues of all periodicals.	2.2	24.8	40.6	21.2	11.2
D. Providing information immediately on who has charged out an item by having such information available at the Circulation Desk	2.1	26.4	40.3	21.5	8.6
E. Establishing special subject catalogs in specific areas of research (e.g., an energy catalog, an education catalog).	2.0	32.8	31.8	22.5	9.6
G. Maintaining a subject area catalog of machine readable data bases available externally (government agencies, universities, and private archives).	2.0	31.5	36.1	21.8	7.0
A. Increasing the dissemination of information on existing library resources and services.	2.0	21.8	53.5	15.4	6.1
B. Establishing a common indexing and retrieval system for all Rand publications and library materials.	2.0	29.0	37.0	22.8	6.1
H. Maintaining an indexing and retrieval system for machine readable data bases available at Rand by subject area, variable name, unit of analysis, and geographical level of aggregation.	1.9	36.1	33.5	14.8	9.6
F. Maintaining a subject area catalog of machine readable data bases available at Rand.	1.9	35.7	35.4	17.6	7.3
C. Adopting a mandatory return policy for materials in circulation when requested by a second party.	1.8	40.3	34.8	13.5	6.7
K. Adopting a mandatory return policy for all materials charged out for one year or more.	1.7	47.0	28.6	12.2	7.6
I. Increasing access to bibliographic machine readable data bases available externally.	1.7	37.3	37.3	13.1	5.4°
L. Establishing a study area in the Library	1.4	64.5	21.2	7.0	3.1

*The scale to interpret the mean is:
1 - No effect.
2 - Slightly increase usage.
3 - Greatly increase usage.
4 - Very greatly increase usage.

THE SURVEY INSTRUMENT

The survey instrument was designed to collect data for five major areas:

1. Researcher characteristics
2. Degree of service and collection usage
3. Service and collection evaluation
4. Usage patterns
5. Policy alternatives

As conceptualized, researcher characteristics and library usage patterns function as primary independent variable categories; and degree of service and collection usage, service and collection evaluation, and policy alternatives, as primary dependent variable categories. Many variables within the dependent categories however are also independent variables in certain analytical contexts i.e., usage and satisfaction function as independent variables for each other. The distribution of questions within these major areas or categories is given in Table 6.0, "Variable Distribution and Item Listing by Variable Category." This table also lists the question number of each item within each category. Approximately 50% of the items requested required the researcher/respondent to evaluate a specific service, collection, or policy alternative. The remaining items provided a context for that evaluation or supplied additional information on library use patterns.

Within the five general categories, twelve theoretical dimensions were covered by the questions:

1. Researcher training and orientation
2. Research interests
3. Perceived value of the library
4. Information gathering habits
5. Awareness/knowledge of library services
6. Service usage
7. Collection usage
8. Service evaluation
9. Collection evaluation
10. Library evaluation

Table 6.0

VARIABLE DISTRIBUTION AND ITEM LISTING BY VARIABLE CATEGORY

Category	Item Distribution		Item Number In Instrument
	Frequency	%	
Researcher Characteristics	15	13%	1, 2, 3, 4Y, 4M, 5A, 5B, 5C, 6A, 6B, 6C, 6D, 6E, 7, 8 ($\Sigma A-S=9$)
Degree of Service and Collection Usage (use/non-use or frequency)	28	24%	8 (A-S), 12, 15, 22, 23 (A-D), 27, 30
Service and Collection Evaluation (satisfaction, success, speed or general evaluation)	34	30%	9 (A-S), 10 (A-G), 11 (A-E), 17, 28, 32
Usage Patterns (materials, response, purpose or distribution)	16	14%	13, 14, 16 (A-E), 19 (A-E), 29, 31
Policy Alternatives (effect on usage, satisfaction or research process)	22	19%	18, 20 (A-M), 21, 24, 25 (A-D), 26, 33

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11. Usage patterns
12. Policy alternatives (circulation, cataloging, information, collection components, library facility organization, and respondent suggestions).

Research findings for each of these theoretical dimensions exist within the adoption/diffusion, communications, and information science literature and the above listing represents standard research categories for evaluating service usage patterns. The distribution and listing of theoretical variables within each dimension and the item or items which were utilized to operationalize the theoretical dimension are summarized in Table 7.0, "Variable Distribution and Item Listing by Theoretical Dimension." Because of limits on the size of the instrument which could be realistically fielded in the Rand environment, all theoretical dimensions of interest were not sampled, and some dimensions were only partially sampled. Priority was placed on information which was not available from other sources (i.e., library records). Only minimal data on researcher characteristics was collected.

Information on usage and satisfaction parameters was collected for each of the library's service and collection components. Table 8.0, "Variable Distribution and Item Listing by Library Service Category" and Table 9.0, "Variable Distribution and Item Listing by Library Collection Category" provides a listing of each service and collection component and the questions which pertained to them. The listing includes all usage, usage pattern, evaluation, and policy items for each of the areas.

The questions were selected for inclusion in the survey on the basis of their relevance for policy analysis and the uniqueness of the information collected. At the time of the instrument design, the disposition of library literature published prior to 1965, the usage of classified materials, periodical routing, the circulation system, and the interlibrary loan system were all issues of major concern.

The formatting and item presentation sequence was designed to minimize the required response time and take advantage of the sophisticated respondent population. A packed grid structure was utilized in presenting the precoded response scales and often several theoretical dimensions were included within the same grid. This format was chosen in spite of the potential for response set because it enabled the respondent to quickly evaluate many non-salient

items in a comparative sense with a minimum time investment. An evaluation of the structure of individual response patterns within grids revealed enough within grid variance in responses to indicate an absence of a format related response set.

The average percent of response omissions was high for the question #9 and #11 grids (3.1% and 7.6%) but within the average range of the other non-grid questions for grid questions #8 and #10 (2.5% and 3.7%). The pattern of omission seems more related to the item salience or respondent interest in the item than to problems created by the grid format.

The average time to complete the instrument was between 10 and 20 minutes.

Table 7.0
VARIABLE DISTRIBUTION AND ITEM LISTING BY THEORETICAL DIMENSION

Theoretical Dimension	Item Number In Instrument
Researcher Training and Orientation	0
X ₁ Department assignment	1
X ₂ Discipline orientation	2
X ₃ Hierarchical status	3
X ₄ Years/months at Rand	4Y, 4M
Research Interests	
X ₅ Project RAND	5A
X ₆ National Security	5B
X ₇ Domestic	5C
Perceived Value of Library	
X ₈ Past research projects	6A
X ₉ Current research projects	6B
X ₁₀ Proposal writing	6C
X ₁₁ Writing for non-Rand publication	6D
X ₁₂ Professional maintenance and development	6E
X ₁₃ Value score	6 (Σ A-E)
Information Gathering Habits	
X ₁₄ Method of Library Material Acquisition	7
Awareness/Knowledge of Library Services	
X ₁₅ Didn't know service existed	8 (A-S) Σ 9 responses, 12 (3 response)
Service and Collection Usage	
X ₁₆ Frequency	8 (A-S), 23 (A-D)
X ₁₇ Occurrence	12, 15, 22, 27, 30
Service and Collection Evaluation	
X ₁₈ Satisfaction	9 (A-S), 28
X ₁₉ Success of availability	10 (A-G), 17
X ₂₀ Speed	11 (A-E)
Library Evaluation	
X ₂₁ Overall	32
X ₂₂ Overall service and collection	9 (Σ A-S)
X ₂₃ Overall collection availability	10 (Σ A-G)
Usage Patterns	
X ₂₄ Circulation (recall)	13, 14
X ₂₅ Interlibrary Loan	16 (A-E)
X ₂₆ Bibliographic literature search	19 (A-E)
X ₂₇ Classified Materials	29
X ₂₈ Intelligence material sources	31 (A-C)
Policy Alternatives - Circulation	
X ₂₉ Mandatory return	20C
X ₃₀ Circulation user information	20D
X ₃₁ Mandatory return after one year	20K
X ₃₂ Prior 1964 access delay	21
Policy Alternatives - Cataloging	
X ₃₃ Common library/publications index	20B
X ₃₄ Subject specific catalogs	20E
X ₃₅ Machine readable data bases by subject (Rand)	20F
X ₃₆ Machine readable data bases by subject (non-Rand)	20G
X ₃₇ Machine readable data bases by multiple attributes	20H
Policy Alternatives - Information	
X ₃₈ Increased dissemination regarding services	20A
Collection Components	
X ₃₉ Table of Contents rather than periodical	18
X ₄₀ Access to bibliographic machine readable data bases	20I
X ₄₁ Alternative medium for prior to 1964 materials	24
X ₄₂ Discard prior to 1965 books	25A
X ₄₃ Discard prior to 1964 unclassified reports	25B
X ₄₄ Discard prior to 1965 classified literature	25C
X ₄₅ Discard prior to 1964 periodical literature	25D
X ₄₆ Periodical retention	26
Library Facility Organization	
X ₄₇ Study area	20L
X ₄₈ Periodical Reading Room	20J
Suggestions	
X ₄₉ Other	20M
X ₅₀ What Library should do	33

Table 8.0

VARIABLE DISTRIBUTION AND ITEM LISTING BY LIBRARY SERVICE CATEGORY

Service	Item Number in Instrument
Circulation	3A, 8B*, 9A, 9B*, 10A, 10D, 10E*, 10F, 12, 13, 14, 20C, 20D, 20K, 21, 22, 23 (A-D)
Cataloging	8K, 8L*, 9K, 9L*, 20B, 20E, 20F, 20G, 20H
Accessions List	8M, 8N*, 9M, 9N*
Information and Reference Service	8C, 8D, 9C, 9D, 11A, 11B, 20A
Bibliographic Literature Search	8E, 9E, 11C, 19 (A-E)
Periodical Collection Service	8F, 8H, 9F, 9H, 10B, 10C, 18, 20J, 23D, 24
SDI Service	8G, 9G
Current Table of Contents Service	8H, 9H
Interlibrary Loan	8I, 9I, 10G, 15, 16 (A-E), 17, 24
Order Department	8J, 9J
Classified Reading Room	80*, 90*, 11D*, 20L
Document Control Centers	8S, 9S

*Classified service. Also includes items 27-31.

Table 9.0
VARIABLE DISTRIBUTION AND ITEM LISTING BY LIBRARY COLLECTION CATEGORY

Collection	Item Number in Instrument
Books	10A, 16A, 23A, 25A
Periodicals	8F, 8H, 9F, 9H, 10B, 10C, 16C, 18, 20J, 23D, 24, 25D, 26
Reports	10D, 10E*, 16B, 23B, 23C*, 25B, 25C*, 27*, 28*, 29*, 30*, 31 (A-C)*
Maps	8Q, 9Q, 10F, 16D
Machine Readable Data Bases	20F, 20G, 20H, 20I
Intelligence Materials	8P*, 9P*, 30*, 31 (A-C)*
Slavic and Oriental Library Materials	8R, 9R, 11E
Materials Prior to 1964	21, 22, 23 (A-D), 24, 25 (A-D)
Other	10G, 16E, 20M

* Classified collection.

ORGANIZATION OF THE CODEBOOK

Each question from the survey instrument was reproduced exactly as it appeared to the respondent, including any precoded responses. When the question had several parts and multiple response values, it was separated to allow for a clearer format in matching question to answer. Questions with multiple parts but a single response meaning were grouped together rather than separated. Questions #8 and 9 illustrate separation, and questions #16 and #19 grouping of "Circle all that apply." The question was repeated at the top of each page when there were several parts requiring more than one page.

MARGINALS

Immediately to the right of each question is a table of response frequencies commonly called "marginals." The marginals were produced utilizing the statistical package, DIOGENES (Data Base Field Frequency Generator), and the original output format has been utilized to display the data values in the codebook. With the exception of questions #16 and #19, the format is the same for each table. The first column labeled "frequency" lists the total records (cases) read, the total records selected, the number of unique data values, and a breakdown of responses by frequency of answer to each data value. The second column shows the relative frequency of each response expressed as a percentage of all survey records, and the third column lists the data values to which response was made. The data values include both precoded responses and non-data responses (blanks, zeros, and audit codes).

The marginals in this codebook describe the data file in several significant ways. First, they show the incidence of item non-response for each response field by utilizing a system of zeros, blanks, and audit codes. Secondly, they indicate the existence of any extreme values and otherwise represent the distribution of responses among the unique response values. Finally, for certain policy alternatives which do not require a multivariate analysis, the marginals indicate the relative tradeoffs within use, satisfaction, and collection components without any further analysis being necessary.

For each question to which the respondent should have responded, the response field of the machine readable survey record contains either a well-defined response code, a blank, a zero or an audit code. If a question should not have been legitimately answered by the respondent, the field is blank. This situation is represented in the marginals by a frequency count, a percent of the total responses value, and a " " (blank space) under the listing of unique data values. A blank field reflects an inapplicable question which was skipped by the respondent as a result of the questionnaire instructions (i.e. "Circle and skip to Q 32"). In cases where major skip patterns occur (i.e. Q. #13, #15, #22, #27, and #30), the frequency of respondents appearing in the "no or not applicable" category should be equal to the frequency of "blanks" in the questions which were skipped. Discrepancies in the total number of respondents indicating no or not applicable to the skip or trigger question and the number of "blanks" in the next question were caused by non-respondents (missing data) on the trigger question who then may have answered any of the next questions, or respondents who after replying no or indicating not applicable in the trigger question, failed to follow instructions. When resolvable, errors of the latter were fixed during the cleaning process by deleting the inappropriate data or fixing the trigger response.* Note: in questions #4, 5A, 5B, and 5C, blanks signify missing data since zero is a legitimate value.

Missing data is generally indicated by a zero in the response field. For questions with this data value, the respondent should have replied but for reasons of personal choice or involuntary error, did not. For questions #4, 5A, 5B, and 5C, zero is a legitimate response indicating zero years or percent and the "blank" indicates missing data. Note: this reverses the usual convention. In all other cases, zero indicates missing data.

Only the "I" audit code is utilized in the file. An audit code is a non-data code represented as an alphabetic character. The "I" indicates a response that was unintelligible. The respondent did respond to the item but not in a usable manner.

*In resolving any given error, the respondent's answers to other related questions were carefully considered.

Means were computed by multiplying the number of responses by the data value chosen and dividing the total by the number of respondents. The mean calculation was adjusted if respondents indicated the service in question was not applicable, if they did not know the service existed, or if they did not respond at all to the question but should have (missing data). In these adjustments, both the value and the respondent were excluded from the calculation of the mean.

The total number of respondents for the Rand Library Evaluation Survey was 310, a response rate of 70.6%. Users of this codebook should note that the marginals give the distribution of response for only the file of completed and returned questionnaires (n=310). These responses are therefore unweighted. ✓

C O D E B O O K

1. To what Rand department are you currently assigned?

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	10		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
ADM	1	.3	00
DPD	5	1.5	01
PSD	5	1.5	03
ECON	28	9.0	04
ENGR	49	15.7	05
RCC	38	12.2	07
ISD	18	5.7	08
SSD	56	18.0	09
MSD	23	7.3	10
PERS	87	28.0	11
2. PUBL	6	.0	ALL OTHERS

2. What is your current departmental job classification?

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	15		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
ADMINISTRATION	3	.9	00
COST ENGINEER	13	4.1	01
ECONOMIST	10	3.1	02
ENGINEER	52	17.0	03
LOGISTICS SPECIALIST	34	10.5	04
MATHEMATICIAN	2	.6	05
SYSTEMS INFORMATION SPECIALIST	26	8.3	06
OPERATIONS RESEARCH SPECIALIST	6	1.8	07
PHYSICAL SCIENTIST	23	7.3	08
PROGRAMMER ANALYST	29	9.3	09
PSYCHOLOGIST	41	13.1	10
SOCIAL SCIENTIST	3	.9	11
COMPUTER SCIENTIST	38	12.2	12
OTHER (SPECIFY)	13	4.1	13
	16	5.1	14
		.0	ALL OTHERS

3. Please circle as applicable:

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	6		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
PROGRAM DIRECTOR/DEPUTY	1	.3	1
RESEARCHER	15	4.8	0
ASSISTANT PROFESSIONAL	30	9.6	1
RESEARCH AIDE	27	73.1	2
	35	11.2	3
	2	.6	4
		.0	ALL OTHERS

4. How many years and months have you been a Rand employee or full-time consultant?

YEARS		
FREQUENCY		DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
29		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
32	10.3	00
33	10.6	01
40	12.8	02
14	4.5	03
14	4.5	04
19	6.1	05
19	6.1	06
14	4.5	07
14	4.5	08
9	2.8	09
12	3.8	10
5	1.5	11
5	1.5	12
7	2.2	13
7	2.2	14
8	2.5	15
4	1.2	16
9	2.8	17
2	.6	18
12	3.8	19
5	1.5	20
7	2.2	21
3	.9	22
1	.3	23
5	1.5	24
2	.6	25
4	1.2	26
2	.6	27
2	.6	28
		.0 ALL OTHERS

YEARS: 8

MONTHS		
FREQUENCY		DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
12		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
67	21.5	00
16	5.1	01
17	5.4	02
14	4.5	03
23	7.3	04
29	9.3	05
49	15.7	06
21	6.7	07
29	9.3	08
21	6.7	09
17	5.4	10
7	2.2	11
		.0 ALL OTHERS

MONTHS: 4

5. What percentage of your time has been spent over the last year doing research in each of the following areas?

- A./B. NATIONAL SECURITY RESEARCH
C. DOMESTIC RESEARCH

These distributions are omitted.

6. How important to your work has the Rand library been in each of the following areas? (Indicate by circling the average level of importance).

- A. Past Research Projects

VERY UNIMPORTANT
UNIMPORTANT
SOME IMPORTANCE
IMPORTANT
VERY IMPORTANT
NOT APPLICABLE

1
2
3
4
5
9

FREQUENCY		
		DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
10	3.1	0
12	3.8	1
19	6.1	2
59	19.0	3
90	29.0	4
86	27.6	5
34	10.9	9
		.0 ALL OTHERS

MEAN = 3.8

6. How important to your work has the Rand library been in each of the following areas? (Indicate by circling the average level of importance).

B. Current Research Projects.....

		FREQUENCY	%	DATA
		310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
		310		RECORDS SELECTED
		7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
		5	2.8	0
VERY UNIMPORTANT	1	14	4.5	1
UNIMPORTANT	2	29	9.0	2
SOME IMPORTANCE	3	75	25.4	3
IMPORTANT	4	65	27.3	4
VERY IMPORTANT	5	77	24.8	5
NOT APPLICABLE	9	18	5.7	5
				.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 3.6				

C. Proposal Writing.....

		FREQUENCY	%	DATA
		310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
		310		RECORDS SELECTED
		7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
		25	8.0	0
VERY UNIMPORTANT	1	30	9.6	1
UNIMPORTANT	2	41	13.1	2
SOME IMPORTANCE	3	56	18.0	3
IMPORTANT	4	35	11.2	4
VERY IMPORTANT	5	12	3.8	5
NOT APPLICABLE	9	111	35.7	9
				.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 2.8				

D. Writing for Non-Rand Publication...

		FREQUENCY	%	DATA
		310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
		310		RECORDS SELECTED
		7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
		28	9.0	0
VERY UNIMPORTANT	1	23	7.3	1
UNIMPORTANT	2	30	9.6	2
SOME IMPORTANCE	3	55	17.6	3
IMPORTANT	4	43	13.8	4
VERY IMPORTANT	5	17	5.4	5
NOT APPLICABLE	9	114	36.7	9
				.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 3.0				

E. Professional Maintenance & Development.....

		FREQUENCY	%	DATA
		310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
		310		RECORDS SELECTED
		7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
		14	4.5	0
VERY UNIMPORTANT	1	21	6.7	1
UNIMPORTANT	2	31	10.0	2
SOME IMPORTANCE	3	89	28.6	3
IMPORTANT	4	86	28.3	4
VERY IMPORTANT	5	48	15.4	5
NOT APPLICABLE	9	15	4.8	9
				.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 3.4				

7. How do you usually acquire information and/or materials from the library?

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	8		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
	1	0.3	1
	9	2.8	0
THROUGH A SECRETARY.....	40	12.8	1
DIRECTLY MYSELF.....	213	68.6	2
THROUGH A RESEARCH ASSISTANT.....	18	5.7	3
THROUGH A DOCUMENT CONTROL CENTER.....	29	9.2	4
			0 ALL OTHERS

8. In general, how frequently do you use each of the following listed services?

A. Unclassified circulation (borrowing service).....

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	8		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
	5	1.5	0
DON'T USE	19	6.1	1
LESS THAN ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..	56	18.0	2
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..	56	18.0	3
AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH	77	24.8	4
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 2 WEEKS...	51	16.4	5
AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK	44	14.1	6
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED ...	2	0.6	9
			0 ALL OTHERS

MEAN = 3.7

B. Classified circulation (borrowing service).....

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	8		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
	9	2.8	0
DON'T USE	172	55.4	1
LESS THAN ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..	36	11.5	2
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..	37	11.8	3
AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH	26	8.3	4
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 2 WEEKS...	18	5.7	5
AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK	9	2.8	6
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...	3	0.9	9
			0 ALL OTHERS

MEAN = 2

C. Information service (directory type questions).....

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	8		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
	8	2.5	0
DON'T USE	63	20.3	1
LESS THAN ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..	83	26.7	2
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..	60	19.3	3
AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH	52	16.7	4
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 2 WEEKS...	26	8.3	5
AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK	8	2.5	6
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...	10	3.1	9
			0 ALL OTHERS

MEAN = 2.7

8. In general, how frequently do you use each of the following listed services?

D. Reference service (quick subject searches).....

	FREQUENCY	Σ	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	8		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
DON'T USE	6	1.0 0	
LESS THAN ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..2	62	20.0 1	
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..3	83	26.7 2	
AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH	70	22.5 3	
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 2 WEEKS...5	46	15.4 4	
AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK	23	7.3 5	
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9	5	1.5 6	
	7	2.2 9	
		.0 ALL OTHERS	

MEAN = 2.7

E. Bibliographic literature search (extensive subject searches).....

	FREQUENCY	Σ	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	8		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
DON'T USE	10	3.1 0	
LESS THAN ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..2	120	38.6 1	
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..3	125	40.3 2	
AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH	37	10.0 3	
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 2 WEEKS...5	6	1.8 4	
AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK	2	.6 5	
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9	1	.3 6	
	15	4.8 9	
		.0 ALL OTHERS	

MEAN = 1.8

F. Periodical collection service (back issue article reproduction)...

	FREQUENCY	Σ	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	8		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
DON'T USE	5	1.5 0	
LESS THAN ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..2	47	15.1 1	
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..3	63	20.3 2	
AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH	60	19.3 3	
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 2 WEEKS...5	68	21.8 4	
AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK	30	9.6 5	
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9	29	9.3 6	
	8	2.5 9	
		.0 ALL OTHERS	

MEAN = 3.2

G. SDI service (routing of articles of interest).....

	FREQUENCY	Σ	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	8		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
DON'T USE	10	3.1 0	
LESS THAN ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..2	61	26.1 1	
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..3	36	11.5 2	
AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH	41	13.1 3	
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 2 WEEKS...5	56	18.0 4	
AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK	29	9.3 5	
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9	32	10.3 6	
	25	8.0 9	
		.0 ALL OTHERS	

MEAN = 3.0

8. In general, how frequently do you use each of the following listed services?

H. Current table of contents service
for periodicals.....

	FREQUENCY	DATA
	310	TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310	RECORDS SELECTED
	8	UNIQUE DATA VALUES
DON'T USE	14	4.5 0
LESS THAN ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..2	104	33.5 1
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..3	40	12.6 2
AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH	52	10.3 3
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 2 WEEKS...5	24	7.6 4
AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK	26	8.3 5
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9	16	5.1 6
	54	17.3 9
		.0 ALL OTHERS

MEAN = 2.5

I. Interlibrary
loan.....

	FREQUENCY	DATA
	310	TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310	RECORDS SELECTED
	8	UNIQUE DATA VALUES
DON'T USE	4	1.2 0
LESS THAN ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..2	46	14.8 1
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..3	52	29.6 2
AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH	79	25.4 3
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 2 WEEKS...5	49	15.7 4
AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK	27	8.6 5
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9	12	3.8 6
	1	.3 9
		.0 ALL OTHERS

MEAN = 2.9

J. Order
department.....

	FREQUENCY	DATA
	310	TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310	RECORDS SELECTED
	9	UNIQUE DATA VALUES
DON'T USE	1	.3 1
LESS THAN ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..2	9	2.8 0
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..3	50	16.1 1
AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH	65	28.6 2
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 2 WEEKS...5	68	21.8 3
AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK	60	19.3 4
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9	18	5.7 5
	10	3.1 6
	5	1.5 9
		.0 ALL OTHERS

MEAN = 2.8

K. Unclassified card
catalog.....

	FREQUENCY	DATA
	310	TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310	RECORDS SELECTED
	8	UNIQUE DATA VALUES
DON'T USE	7	2.2 0
LESS THAN ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..2	56	18.0 1
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..3	64	27.0 2
AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH	74	23.8 3
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 2 WEEKS...5	46	14.8 4
AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK	30	9.6 5
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9	12	3.8 6
	1	.3 9
		.0 ALL OTHERS

MEAN = 2.8

8. In general, how frequently do you use each of the following listed services?

L. Classified card catalog.....		FREQUENCY	Σ	DATA
		310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
		310		RECORDS SELECTED
		8		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
DON'T USE	1	12	3.8 0	
LESS THAN ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..	2	174	56.1 1	
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS ..	3	51	16.4 2	
AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH	4	75	11.2 3	
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 2 WEEKS ..	5	25	8.0 4	
AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK	6	3	.9 5	
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED ..	9	6	1.8 6	
		4	1.2 9	
			.0 ALL OTHERS	
MEAN = 1.8				

M. Unclassified accessions list.....		FREQUENCY	Σ	DATA
		310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
		310		RECORDS SELECTED
		8		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
DON'T USE	1	9	2.8 0	
LESS THAN ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..	2	123	39.6 1	
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS ..	3	39	12.5 2	
AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH	4	28	9.0 3	
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 2 WEEKS ..	5	42	13.5 4	
AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK	6	32	10.3 5	
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED ..	9	21	6.7 6	
		16	5.1 9	
			.0 ALL OTHERS	
MEAN = 2.6				

N. Classified accessions list.....		FREQUENCY	Σ	DATA
		310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
		310		RECORDS SELECTED
		8		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
DON'T USE	1	12	3.8 0	
LESS THAN ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..	2	205	66.1 1	
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS ..	3	24	7.6 2	
AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH	4	17	5.4 3	
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 2 WEEKS ..	5	13	4.1 4	
AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK	6	16	5.1 5	
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED ..	9	6	1.8 6	
		17	5.4 9	
			.0 ALL OTHERS	
MEAN = 1.7				

O. Classified Reading Room.....		FREQUENCY	Σ	DATA
		310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
		310		RECORDS SELECTED
		8		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
DON'T USE	1	8	2.5 0	
LESS THAN ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..	2	202	65.1 1	
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS ..	3	41	13.1 2	
AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH	4	29	9.3 3	
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 2 WEEKS ..	5	14	4.5 4	
AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK	6	7	2.2 5	
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED ..	9	1	.3 6	
		8	2.5 9	
			.0 ALL OTHERS	
MEAN = 1.6				

B. In general, how frequently do you use each of the following listed services?

P. Intelligence facility.....		FREQUENCY	DATA
		310	TOTAL RECORDS READ
		310	RECORDS SELECTED
		8	UNIQUE DATA VALUES
DON'T USE	1	0	2.0 0
LESS THAN ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..	2	192	61.8 1
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..	3	42	13.5 2
AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH	4	74	23.8 3
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 2 WEEKS ..	5	16	5.1 4
AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK	6	6	1.9 5
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED ...	9	2	.6 6
		20	6.4 9
			.0 ALL OTHERS
		MEAN = 1.6	

Q. Maps.....		FREQUENCY	DATA
		310	TOTAL RECORDS READ
		310	RECORDS SELECTED
		7	UNIQUE DATA VALUES
DON'T USE	1	170	54.8 1
LESS THAN ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..	2	87	28.0 2
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..	3	25	8.0 3
AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH	4	8	2.5 4
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 2 WEEKS ...	5	1	.3 5
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...	9	12	3.8 9
			.0 ALL OTHERS
		MEAN = 1.6	

R. Slavic And Oriental Library.....		FREQUENCY	DATA
		310	TOTAL RECORDS READ
		310	RECORDS SELECTED
		8	UNIQUE DATA VALUES
DON'T USE	1	258	83.1 1
LESS THAN ONCE EVERY 3 months..	2	16	5.1 2
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..	3	5	1.5 3
AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH	4	2	.6 4
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 2 WEEKS...	5	9	2.8 5
AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK	6	6	1.8 6
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED ...	9	7	2.2 9
			.0 ALL OTHERS
		MEAN = 1.3	

S. Document Control Centers.....		FREQUENCY	DATA
		310	TOTAL RECORDS READ
		310	RECORDS SELECTED
		8	UNIQUE DATA VALUES
DON'T USE	1	71	22.8 1
LESS THAN ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..	2	43	13.8 2
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS..	3	36	11.5 3
AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH	4	47	15.1 4
AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 2 WEEKS ...	5	29	9.3 5
AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK	6	74	23.8 6
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED ...	9	5	1.5 9
			.0 ALL OTHERS
		MEAN = 3.5	

9. How satisfied are you with the library's performance to date in providing each of the following listed services?

A. Unclassified circulation (borrowing service).....

VERY DISSATISFIED.....1
DISSATISFIED.....2
NEUTRAL.....3
SATISFIED.....4
VERY SATISFIED.....5
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9

FREQUENCY	%	DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
10	3.1	0
1	2.6	1
53	10.6	2
76	24.5	3
135	43.5	4
47	15.1	5
2	.6	9
		0 ALL OTHERS

MEAN = 3.6

B. Classified circulation (borrowing service).....

VERY DISSATISFIED.....1
DISSATISFIED.....2
NEUTRAL.....3
SATISFIED.....4
VERY SATISFIED.....5
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9

FREQUENCY	%	DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
50	16.1	0
1	.3	1
3	.9	2
145	48.0	3
70	22.5	4
28	9.0	5
9	2.8	9
		0 ALL OTHERS

MEAN = 3.5

C. Information service (directory type questions).....

VERY DISSATISFIED.....1
DISSATISFIED.....2
NEUTRAL.....3
SATISFIED.....4
VERY SATISFIED.....5
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9

FREQUENCY	%	DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
21	6.7	0
2	.6	1
2	.6	2
50	29.0	3
104	33.5	4
81	26.1	5
10	3.1	9
		0 ALL OTHERS

MEAN = 3.9

D. Reference service (quick subject searches).....

VERY DISSATISFIED.....1
DISSATISFIED.....2
NEUTRAL.....3
SATISFIED.....4
VERY SATISFIED.....5
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9

FREQUENCY	%	DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
17	5.4	0
1	.3	1
5	1.5	2
78	25.1	3
91	29.3	4
110	35.4	5
8	2.5	9
		0 ALL OTHERS

MEAN = 4.0

9. How satisfied are you with the library's performance to date in providing each of the following listed services?

E. Bibliographic literature searches
(extensive subject searches).....

	FREQUENCY	Σ	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
VERY DISSATISFIED.....1	24	10.5 0	
DISSATISFIED.....2	2	8.1 1	
NEUTRAL.....3	10	3.1 2	
SATISFIED.....4	141	45.4 3	
VERY SATISFIED.....5	78	25.1 4	
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9	29	9.3 5	
	16	5.1 9	
			.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 3.5			

F. Periodical collection service (back
issue/article reproduction).....

	FREQUENCY	Σ	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
VERY DISSATISFIED.....1	15	4.8 0	
DISSATISFIED.....2	2	8.1 1	
NEUTRAL.....3	10	3.1 2	
SATISFIED.....4	89	28.6 3	
VERY SATISFIED.....5	111	35.7 4	
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9	76	24.5 5	
	7	2.2 9	
			.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 3.9			

G. SDI service (routing of articles
of interest).....

	FREQUENCY	Σ	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
VERY DISSATISFIED.....1	19	6.1 0	
DISSATISFIED.....2	7	2.2 1	
NEUTRAL.....3	11	3.5 2	
SATISFIED.....4	121	35.0 3	
VERY SATISFIED.....5	81	26.1 4	
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9	48	15.4 5	
	23	7.3 5	
			.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 3.6			

H. Current table of contents service
for periodicals.....

	FREQUENCY	Σ	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
VERY DISSATISFIED.....1	26	8.3 0	
DISSATISFIED.....2	3	8.1 1	
NEUTRAL.....3	7	2.2 2	
SATISFIED.....4	143	46.1 3	
VERY SATISFIED.....5	67	21.5 4	
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9	22	7.0 5	
	42	13.5 5	
			.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 3.4			

9. How satisfied are you with the library's performance to date in providing each of the following listed services?

Interlibrary
loan.....

VERY DISSATISFIED.....1
DISSATISFIED.....2
NEUTRAL.....3
SATISFIED.....4
VERY SATISFIED.....5
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9

FREQUENCY	%	DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
11	3.5	0
1	.3	1
10	3.1	2
69	22.2	3
129	41.5	4
88	28.3	5
2	.6	9
		0 ALL OTHERS

MEAN = 4.0

J. Order
department.....

VERY DISSATISFIED.....1
DISSATISFIED.....2
NEUTRAL.....3
SATISFIED.....4
VERY SATISFIED.....5
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9

FREQUENCY	%	DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
16	5.1	0
4	1.2	1
24	7.6	2
53	30.0	3
116	37.3	4
52	16.7	5
5	1.5	9
		0 ALL OTHERS

MEAN = 3.7

K. Unclassified card
catalog.....

VERY DISSATISFIED.....1
DISSATISFIED.....2
NEUTRAL.....3
SATISFIED.....4
VERY SATISFIED.....5
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9

FREQUENCY	%	DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
17	5.4	0
6	1.8	1
18	5.7	2
134	43.1	3
105	33.8	4
26	8.3	5
4	1.2	9
		0 ALL OTHERS

MEAN = 3.4

L. Classified card
catalog.....

VERY DISSATISFIED.....1
DISSATISFIED.....2
NEUTRAL.....3
SATISFIED.....4
VERY SATISFIED.....5
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9

FREQUENCY	%	DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
48	15.4	0
2	.6	1
6	1.8	2
169	54.5	3
64	20.6	4
13	4.1	5
8	2.5	9
		0 ALL OTHERS

MEAN = 3.3

9. How satisfied are you with the library's performance to date in providing each of the following listed services?

M. Unclassified accessions
list.....

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
VERY DISSATISFIED.....1	34	10.5 0	
DISSATISFIED.....2	4	1.3 1	
NEUTRAL.....3	12	3.8 2	
SATISFIED.....4	148	47.6 3	
VERY SATISFIED.....5	44	20.6 4	
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9	28	9.0 5	
	15	4.8 9	
			.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 3.4			

Classified accessions
list.....

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
VERY DISSATISFIED.....1	49	15.7 0	
DISSATISFIED.....2	1	.3 1	
NEUTRAL.....3	3	.9 2	
SATISFIED.....4	184	59.3 3	
VERY SATISFIED.....5	38	12.2 4	
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9	17	5.4 5	
	18	5.7 9	
			.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 3.3			

O. Classified Readings
Recd.....

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
VERY DISSATISFIED.....1	47	15.1 0	
DISSATISFIED.....2	3	.9 1	
NEUTRAL.....3	10	3.1 2	
SATISFIED.....4	179	57.6 3	
VERY SATISFIED.....5	48	15.4 4	
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9	13	4.1 5	
	10	3.1 9	
			.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 3.2			

P. Intelligence
facility.....

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
VERY DISSATISFIED.....1	47	15.1 0	
DISSATISFIED.....2	3	.9 1	
NEUTRAL.....3	3	.9 2	
SATISFIED.....4	168	54.1 3	
VERY SATISFIED.....5	51	16.4 4	
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9	18	5.7 5	
	20	6.4 9	
			.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 3.3			

9. How satisfied are you with the library's performance to date in providing each of the following listed services?

Q. Maps.....		FREQUENCY	DATA
		310	TOTAL RECORDS READ
		310	RECORDS SELECTED
		7	UNIQUE DATA VALUES
VERY DISSATISFIED.....1		25	11.2 0
DISSATISFIED.....2		4	1.2 1
NEUTRAL.....3		16	5.1 2
SATISFIED.....4		169	54.5 3
VERY SATISFIED.....5		61	19.6 4
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9		12	3.8 5
		13	4.1 9
			.0 ALL OTHERS
		MEAN = 3.2	

R. Slavic and Oriental Library.....		FREQUENCY	DATA
		310	TOTAL RECORDS READ
		310	RECORDS SELECTED
		6	UNIQUE DATA VALUES
VERY DISSATISFIED.....1		54	17.3 0
DISSATISFIED.....2		1	.3 1
NEUTRAL.....3		199	64.1 3
SATISFIED.....4		22	10.3 4
VERY SATISFIED.....5		13	4.1 5
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9		11	3.5 5
			.0 ALL OTHERS
		MEAN = 3.2	

S. Document Control Centers.....		FREQUENCY	DATA
		310	TOTAL RECORDS READ
		310	RECORDS SELECTED
		7	UNIQUE DATA VALUES
VERY DISSATISFIED.....1		24	7.6 0
DISSATISFIED.....2		12	3.8 1
NEUTRAL.....3		11	3.5 2
SATISFIED.....4		112	36.1 3
VERY SATISFIED.....5		71	22.6 4
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED...9		79	25.4 5
		1	.3 9
			.0 ALL OTHERS
		MEAN = 3.8	

10. A measure of document location services is the availability and delivery of an item upon request. What level of success have you experienced in acquiring each of the following materials?

A. Books.....

NEVER GET ITEM IN TIME....1
SELDOM GET ITEM IN TIME....2
OFTEN GET ITEM IN TIME....3
USUALLY GET ITEM IN TIME....4
ALWAYS GET ITEM IN TIME....5
DON'T USE SERVICE.....9

FREQUENCY	1	DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
7	2.2	0
5	1.5	1
40	12.8	2
81	26.1	3
128	41.2	4
15	6.1	5
30	9.6	5
	0	ALL OTHERS

MEAN = 3.4

B. Current Issue of periodicals.....

NEVER GET ITEM IN TIME....1
SELDOM GET ITEM IN TIME....2
OFTEN GET ITEM IN TIME....3
USUALLY GET ITEM IN TIME....4
ALWAYS GET ITEM IN TIME....5
DON'T USE SERVICE.....9

FREQUENCY	2	DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
8	2.5	0
7	2.2	1
39	12.5	2
73	23.5	3
54	30.3	4
26	8.3	5
63	20.3	9
	0	ALL OTHERS

MEAN = 3.4

C. Back Issue of periodicals.....

SELDOM GET ITEM IN TIME....2
OFTEN GET ITEM IN TIME....3
USUALLY GET ITEM IN TIME....4
ALWAYS GET ITEM IN TIME....5
DON'T USE SERVICE.....9

FREQUENCY	2	DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
6		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
13	4.1	0
12	3.8	2
72	23.1	3
119	38.3	4
35	11.2	5
59	19.0	9
	0	ALL OTHERS

MEAN = 3.7

10. A measure of document location services is the availability and delivery of an item upon request. What level of success have you experienced in acquiring each of the following materials?

D. Unclassified reports.....

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
NEVER GET ITEM IN TIME.....1	9	2.8 0	
SELDON GET ITEM IN TIME.....2	1	.3 1	
OFTEN GET ITEM IN TIME.....3	30	9.6 2	
USUALLY GET ITEM IN TIME.....4	57	18.3 3	
ALWAYS GET ITEM IN TIME.....5	120	38.6 4	
DON'T USE SERVICE.....9	21	10.0 5	
	62	20.0 5	
		.0 ALL OTHERS	
MEAN = 3.6			

E. Classified reports.....

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	6		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
SELDON GET ITEM IN TIME.....2	14	4.5 0	
OFTEN GET ITEM IN TIME.....3	9	2.8 2	
USUALLY GET ITEM IN TIME.....4	32	10.3 3	
ALWAYS GET ITEM IN TIME.....5	63	20.3 4	
DON'T USE SERVICE.....9	21	6.7 5	
	171	55.1 9	
		.0 ALL OTHERS	
MEAN = 3.8			

F. Maps.....

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
NEVER GET ITEM IN TIME.....1	20	6.4 0	
SELDON GET ITEM IN TIME.....2	1	.3 1	
OFTEN GET ITEM IN TIME.....3	6	1.8 2	
USUALLY GET ITEM IN TIME.....4	21	6.7 3	
ALWAYS GET ITEM IN TIME.....5	44	14.1 4	
DON'T USE SERVICE.....9	15	4.8 5	
	203	65.4 9	
		.0 ALL OTHERS	
MEAN = 3.8			

G. Interlibrary loan items.....

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
NEVER GET ITEM IN TIME.....1	11	3.5 0	
SELDON GET ITEM IN TIME.....2	2	.6 1	
OFTEN GET ITEM IN TIME.....3	21	6.7 2	
USUALLY GET ITEM IN TIME.....4	76	24.5 3	
ALWAYS GET ITEM IN TIME.....5	107	34.5 4	
DON'T USE SERVICE.....9	40	12.8 5	
	53	17.0 9	
		.0 ALL OTHERS	
MEAN = 3.7			

11. A measure of reference services is the speed of response to a request for information or reference. What speed of response have you most often experienced for each of the following services?

A. Information Service
(directory type questions)...

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	5		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
WITHIN TWO WEEKS.....3	19	6.1	0
WITHIN ONE WEEK.....4	4	1.2	3
SAME OR NEXT DAY.....5	30	9.6	4
DON'T USE SERVICE.....9	149	54.5	5
	88	28.3	9
			.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 4.8			

B. Reference Service
(quick subject searches).....

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
LONGER THAN ONE MONTH...1	15	4.8	0
WITHIN ONE MONTH.....2	1	.3	1
WITHIN TWO WEEKS.....3	5	1.5	2
WITHIN ONE WEEK.....4	15	4.8	3
SAME OR NEXT DAY.....5	68	21.8	4
DON'T USE SERVICE.....9	114	36.7	5
	52	29.6	9
			.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 4.4			

C. Bibliographic Literature
Services (extensive subject
searches).....

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
LONGER THAN ONE MONTH...1	29	9.3	0
WITHIN ONE MONTH.....2	6	1.8	1
WITHIN TWO WEEKS.....3	33	10.6	2
WITHIN ONE WEEK.....4	48	15.4	3
SAME OR NEXT DAY.....5	31	10.0	4
DON'T USE SERVICE.....9	7	2.2	5
	156	50.3	9
			.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 3.0			

D. Classified Reading Room.....

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
LONGER THAN ONE MONTH...1	30	9.6	0
WITHIN ONE MONTH.....2	2	.6	1
WITHIN TWO WEEKS.....3	1	.3	2
WITHIN ONE WEEK.....4	4	1.2	3
SAME OR NEXT DAY.....5	14	4.5	4
DON'T USE SERVICE.....9	42	13.5	5
	217	70.0	9
			.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 4.5			

11. A measure of reference services is the speed of response to a request for information or reference. What speed of response have you most often experienced for each of the following services?

E. Slavic and Oriental Library..

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	6		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
WITHIN ONE MONTH.....2	26	8.3	0
WITHIN TWO WEEKS.....3	1	.3	2
WITHIN ONE WEEK.....4	4	1.2	3
SAME OR NEXT DAY.....5	4	1.2	4
DON'T USE SERVICE.....9	14	4.5	5
	261	84.1	5
			.0 ALL OTHERS

MEAN = 4.3

12. Do you usually utilize the Circulation Services' recall process if the library item you require is checked out?

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	4		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
YES.....1	5	1.5	0
NO.....2	173	55.7	1
DIDN'T KNOW SERVICE EXISTED..3	87	28.0	2
	45	14.5	3
			.0 ALL OTHERS

13. Has an item which you have borrowed ever been recalled?

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	3		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
NO...(Circle and skip to Q.15).....1	4	1.2	0
YES...(Circle and continue with Q.14).....2	70	22.5	1
	236	76.1	2
			.0 ALL OTHERS

14. What do you typically do when an item you have borrowed is recalled?

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	6		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
RELEASE ITEM IMMEDIATELY..... 1	155	50.0	1
RELEASE ITEM WITHIN A WEEK... 2	50	16.2	2
NOT RELEASE ITEM AND REQUEST ANOTHER COPY BE OBTAINED... 3	3	.9	3
OTHER (SPECIFY)..... 5	17	5.5	4
IGNORE THE REQUEST..... 4			0 ALL OTHERS
	MEAN = 1.5		

15. Do you use the Interlibrary Loan Services?

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	3		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
NO... (Circle and skip to Q.18)..... 1	5	1.6	0
YES... (Circle and continue with Q.16)..... 2	57	18.3	1
	248	80.0	2
			0 ALL OTHERS

16. What type of material do you usually request on Interlibrary loan?
(Circle all that apply)

	FREQUENCY	YES RE- SPONSES	DATA
A. BOOKS..... 1	206	66.4	1
B. REPORTS..... 2	125	40.3	2
C. PERIODICAL LITERATURE... 3	153	49.3	3
D. MAPS..... 4	3	.9	4
E. OTHER (SPECIFY)..... 5	2	.6	5
			0 ALL OTHERS

17. To what degree is the Interlibrary Loan Service able to fill your requests?

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	6		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
ALWAYS..... 1	43	13.8	1
USUALLY..... 2	172	55.4	2
OFTEN..... 3	26	8.3	3
SELDOM..... 4	6	1.9	4
NEVER..... 5	1	.3	5
			0 ALL OTHERS
	MEAN = 2.0		

18. Would you be willing to receive a Table of Contents in place of the current issue of a periodical in those cases where you and at least one other person are on the routing list?

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	6		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
DEFINITELY YES..... 1	12	3.8	0
YES..... 2	52	16.7	1
MAYBE..... 3	82	26.4	2
NO..... 4	60	19.3	3
DEFINITELY NO..... 5	78	25.1	4
	26	8.3	5
			0 ALL OTHERS
	MEAN = 2.7		

19. In general, what is your ultimate purpose in requesting a literature search?
(Circle all that apply)

	FREQUENCY	YES RE- SPONSES	DATA
A. NEVER REQUEST.....1	125	40.3	1
B. A PROPOSAL.....2	45	14.5	2
C. FINAL BIBLIOGRAPHY...3	28	9.0	3
D. GENERAL BACKGROUND...4	159	51.2	4
E. OTHER (SPECIFY).....5	19	6.1	5
		.0	ALL OTHERS

20. To what degree would each of the following policy changes probably increase your overall Rand library usage?

A. Increasing the dissemination of information on existing library resources & services

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
NO EFFECT.....1	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
SLIGHTLY INCREASE.....2	310		RECORDS SELECTED
GREATLY INCREASE.....3	5		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
VERY GREATLY INCREASE...4	9	2.8	0
	65	21.2	1
	166	53.5	2
	48	15.4	3
	19	6.1	4
		.0	ALL OTHERS
		MEAN =	2.0

B. Establishing a common indexing and retrieval system for all Rand publications and library materials.

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
NO EFFECT.....1	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
SLIGHTLY INCREASE.....2	310		RECORDS SELECTED
GREATLY INCREASE.....3	5		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
VERY GREATLY INCREASE...4	15	4.8	0
	50	29.0	1
	115	37.0	2
	71	22.8	3
	19	6.1	4
		.0	ALL OTHERS
		MEAN =	2.0

C. Adopting a mandatory return policy for materials in circulation when requested by a second party.

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
NO EFFECT.....1	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
SLIGHTLY INCREASE.....2	310		RECORDS SELECTED
GREATLY INCREASE.....3	5		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
VERY GREATLY INCREASE...4	14	4.5	0
	125	40.3	1
	108	34.8	2
	42	13.5	3
	21	6.7	4
		.0	ALL OTHERS
		MEAN =	1.8

20. To what degree would each of the following policy changes probably increase your overall Rand library usage?

D. Providing information immediately on who has charged out an item by having such information available at the Circulation Desk.

NO EFFECT.....1
SLIGHTLY INCREASE.....2
GREATLY INCREASE.....3
VERY GREATLY INCREASE...4

FREQUENCY	DATA
310	TOTAL RECORDS READ
310	RECORDS SELECTED
5	UNIQUE DATA VALUES
5	2.8 0
82	26.4 1
125	40.3 2
167	91.5 3
27	8.6 4
	.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 2.1	

E. Establishing special subject catalogs in specific areas of research (e.g., an energy catalog, an educational catalog).

NO EFFECT.....1
SLIGHTLY INCREASE.....2
GREATLY INCREASE.....3
VERY GREATLY INCREASE...4

FREQUENCY	DATA
310	TOTAL RECORDS READ
310	RECORDS SELECTED
5	UNIQUE DATA VALUES
5	2.8 0
102	32.8 1
99	31.8 2
70	22.5 3
30	9.6 4
	.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 2.0	

F. Maintaining a subject area catalog of machine readable data bases available at Rand.

NO EFFECT.....1
SLIGHTLY INCREASE.....2
GREATLY INCREASE.....3
VERY GREATLY INCREASE...4

FREQUENCY	DATA
310	TOTAL RECORDS READ
310	RECORDS SELECTED
5	UNIQUE DATA VALUES
11	3.5 0
111	35.7 1
110	35.4 2
55	17.6 3
23	7.3 4
	.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 1.9	

G. Maintaining a subject area catalog of machine readable data bases available externally (government agencies, universities, and private archives).

NO EFFECT.....1
SLIGHTLY INCREASE.....2
GREATLY INCREASE.....3
VERY GREATLY INCREASE...4

FREQUENCY	DATA
310	TOTAL RECORDS READ
310	RECORDS SELECTED
5	UNIQUE DATA VALUES
10	3.1 0
58	31.5 1
112	36.1 2
68	21.8 3
22	7.0 4
	.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 2.0	

20. To what degree would each of the following policy changes probably increase your overall Rand library usage?

H. Maintaining an indexing and retrieval system for machine readable data bases available at Rand by subject area, variable name, unit of analysis, and geographical level of aggregation.

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	5		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
NO EFFECT.....1	10	5.7 0	
SLIGHTLY INCREASE.....2	112	36.1 1	
GREATLY INCREASE.....3	104	33.5 2	
VERY GREATLY INCREASE...4	46	14.8 3	
	20	6.6 4	
			.0 ALL OTHERS
			MEAN = 1.9

I. Increasing access to bibliographic machine readable data bases available externally.

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	5		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
NO EFFECT.....1	20	6.4 0	
SLIGHTLY INCREASE.....2	116	37.3 1	
GREATLY INCREASE.....3	116	37.3 2	
VERY GREATLY INCREASE...4	41	13.1 3	
	17	5.4 4	
			.0 ALL OTHERS
			MEAN = 1.7

J. Maintaining a Reading Room with current issues of all periodicals.

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	5		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
NO EFFECT.....1	6	1.8 0	
SLIGHTLY INCREASE.....2	77	24.8 1	
GREATLY INCREASE.....3	126	40.6 2	
VERY GREATLY INCREASE...4	66	21.2 3	
	35	11.2 4	
			.0 ALL OTHERS
			MEAN = 2.2

K. Adopting a mandatory return policy for all materials charged out for one year or more.

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	5		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
NO EFFECT.....1	13	4.1 0	
SLIGHTLY INCREASE.....2	146	47.0 1	
GREATLY INCREASE.....3	89	28.6 2	
VERY GREATLY INCREASE...4	38	12.2 3	
	24	7.6 4	
			.0 ALL OTHERS
			MEAN = 1.7

20. To what degree would each of the following policy changes probably increase your overall Rand library usage?

L. Establishing a study area in the library.

NO EFFECT.....1
SLIGHTLY INCREASE.....2
GREATLY INCREASE.....3
VERY GREATLY INCREASE...4

FREQUENCY	DATA
310	TOTAL RECORDS READ
210	RECORDS SELECTED
5	UNIQUE DATA VALUES
12	3.8 0
200	64.5 1
66	21.2 2
22	7.0 3
10	3.1 4
	0 0 ALL OTHERS

MEAN = 1.4

M. Other suggestions?

NO...(Circle and continue with Q.21).....
YES...(Circle and elaborate below).....

FREQUENCY	DATA
310	TOTAL RECORDS READ
310	RECORDS SELECTED
3	UNIQUE DATA VALUES
4	2.8 0
235	75.1 1
68	21.6 2
	0 0 ALL OTHERS

21. In general, what would be the maximum access delay you could tolerate if materials published prior to 1964 were put in storage?

ONE DAY.....1
THREE DAYS.....2
FIVE DAYS.....3
SEVEN DAYS.....4
TWO WEEKS.....5

FREQUENCY	DATA
310	TOTAL RECORDS READ
310	RECORDS SELECTED
6	UNIQUE DATA VALUES
20	6.4 0
46	14.8 1
55	30.6 2
58	18.6 3
41	13.1 4
50	16.1 5
	0 0 ALL OTHERS

MEAN = 2.7

22. Do you utilize Rand library literature that is 10 years or older in your research?

NO...(Circle and skip to Q.25).....1
YES...(Circle and continue with Q.23).....2

FREQUENCY	DATA
310	TOTAL RECORDS READ
310	RECORDS SELECTED
3	UNIQUE DATA VALUES
5	1.5 0
75	24.1 1
230	74.1 2
	0 0 ALL OTHERS

23. How often do you use each of the following types of library literature published prior to 1965?

A. Book literature.....

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
NEVER.....1	64	20.6	
ONCE A YEAR.....2	6	1.9	0
ONCE EVERY SIX MONTHS...3	19	6.1	1
ONCE A MONTH.....4	28	12.2	2
MORE THAN ONCE A MONTH...5	81	26.1	3
	52	16.7	4
	50	16.1	5
			.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 3.2			

B. Unclassified report literature.....

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
NEVER.....1	64	20.6	
ONCE A YEAR.....2	13	4.1	0
ONCE EVERY SIX MONTHS...3	33	10.6	1
ONCE A MONTH.....4	52	16.7	2
MORE THAN ONCE A MONTH...5	79	25.4	3
	44	14.1	4
	25	8.0	5
			.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 2.7			

C. Classified report literature.....

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
NEVER.....1	65	20.6	
ONCE A YEAR.....2	15	6.1	0
ONCE EVERY SIX MONTHS...3	118	38.0	1
ONCE A MONTH.....4	32	10.3	2
MORE THAN ONCE A MONTH...5	43	13.8	3
	19	6.1	4
	14	4.5	5
			.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 1.9			

D. Periodical literature.....

	FREQUENCY	%	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
NEVER.....1	64	20.6	
ONCE A YEAR.....2	4	1.2	0
ONCE EVERY SIX MONTHS...3	30	9.6	1
ONCE A MONTH.....4	42	13.5	2
MORE THAN ONCE A MONTH...5	71	22.8	3
	51	16.4	4
	48	15.4	5
			.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 3.1			

24. If it became necessary to discard pre- 1964 periodical runs because of space requirements, would you prefer that the library:
(Circle one)

	FREQUENCY	2	DATA
Had a microform copy of the periodical..... 1	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
Provided interlibrary loan photoduplication service.... 2	310		RECORDS SELECTED
Other (Specify)..... 3	5		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
	61	19.6	
	4	1.2	0
	91	29.3	1
	122	39.3	2
	32	10.3	3
			0 ALL OTHERS
			MEAN = 1.7

25. The information science literature indicates that 90% of library requests are for materials published in the last ten years. Based on this and considering your own information needs, what would be the effect on your research effort if the library was to discard its collection of materials published prior to 1965?

A. Book literature.....

NO EFFECT.....1
SLIGHT EFFECT.....2
SIGNIFICANT EFFECT...3
DISASTROUS EFFECT....4

	FREQUENCY	1	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	5		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
	9	2.8	0
	52	16.7	1
	114	36.7	2
	104	33.5	3
	31	10.0	4
			0 ALL OTHERS
			MEAN = 2.3

B. Unclassified report literature.....

NO EFFECT.....1
SLIGHT EFFECT.....2
SIGNIFICANT EFFECT...3
DISASTROUS EFFECT....4

	FREQUENCY	1	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	5		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
	11	3.5	0
	83	26.7	1
	146	47.0	2
	56	18.0	3
	14	4.5	4
			0 ALL OTHERS
			MEAN = 1.9

C. Classified report literature.....

NO EFFECT.....1
SLIGHT EFFECT.....2
SIGNIFICANT EFFECT...3
DISASTROUS EFFECT....4

	FREQUENCY	1	DATA
	310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
	310		RECORDS SELECTED
	5		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
	18	5.7	0
	172	55.4	1
	68	21.8	2
	36	11.5	3
	16	5.1	4
			0 ALL OTHERS
			MEAN = 1.5

25. The information science literature indicates that 90% of library requests are for materials published in the last ten years. Based on this and considering your own information needs, what would be the effect on your research effort if the library was to discard its collection of materials published prior to 1963?

D. Periodical literature.....

NO EFFECT.....1
SLIGHT EFFECT.....2
SIGNIFICANT EFFECT...3
DISASTROUS EFFECT...4

FREQUENCY	2	DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
5		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
2	2.8	0
72	23.1	1
116	37.3	2
64	27.0	3
29	9.3	4
		.0 ALL OTHERS
MEAN = 2.2		

26. If a cost analysis showed that it would be more cost effective to obtain a photocopy of a periodical article through interlibrary loan rather than retention of the periodical, would you consider this the primary criterion on which to determine the periodical retention policy of the library?

YES...(Circle and continue with Q.27).....1
NO...(Circle and elaborate below).....2

FREQUENCY	2	DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
3		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
20	6.4	0
185	59.6	1
105	33.8	2
		.0 ALL OTHERS

27. Do you use classified materials?

NO...(Circle and skip to Q.32).....1
YES...(Circle and continue with Q.28).....2

FREQUENCY	2	DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
3		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
12	3.8	0
163	52.5	1
135	43.5	2
		.0 ALL OTHERS

28. Are your classified information needs satisfactorily met by the library?

NO...(Circle and elaborate below).....1
YES...(Circle and continue with Q.29).....2

FREQUENCY	2	DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
4		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
173	55.7	
2	.6	0
27	8.6	1
108	34.6	2
		.0 ALL OTHERS

29. Roughly what percentage of your information needs require classified materials?

MEAN = 38%

FREQUENCY	%	DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
26		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
172	55.4	
3	.5	000
4	1.2	001
1	.3	002
14	4.5	005
15	4.8	010
5	1.5	015
1	.3	016
10	3.1	020
11	3.5	025
1	.3	028
9	2.8	030
1	.3	034
1	.3	035
1	.3	037
2	.6	040
22	7.0	050
5	1.5	060
2	.6	065
1	.3	067
2	.6	070
10	3.1	075
7	2.2	080
7	2.2	090
1	.3	095
2	.6	100
	.0	ALL OTHERS

30. Do you use intelligence materials?

NO... (Circle and skip to Q. 32)..... 1
YES... (Circle and continue with Q. 31)..... 2

FREQUENCY	%	DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
4		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
172	55.4	
1	.3	0
	52.16	7 1
	55	27.3 2
	.0	ALL OTHERS

31. What percentage of your intelligence information needs are obtained from each of the following sources?

A. CLASSIFIED LIBRARY

MEAN = 40.3%

FREQUENCY	%	DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
19		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
224	72.2	
14	4.5	000
1	.3	002
1	.3	004
4	1.2	005
6	1.8	010
6	1.8	020
3	.9	025
6	1.8	030
1	.3	033
1	.3	035
17	5.4	050
5	1.5	060
2	.6	070
3	.9	075
7	2.2	080
3	.9	090
2	.6	095
4	1.2	100
	.0	ALL OTHERS

31. What percentage of your intelligence information needs are obtained from each of the following sources?

B. INTELLIGENCE FACILITY

MEAN = 36.8%

FREQUENCY	%	DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
19		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
225	72.5	
12	3.8	000
1	.3	001
1	.3	004
2	.6	005
5	1.5	010
11	3.5	020
5	1.5	025
7	2.2	030
1	.3	033
1	.3	035
9	2.8	040
15	4.8	050
1	.3	060
2	.6	070
2	.6	080
2	.6	090
2	.6	095
5	1.5	100
	.0	ALL OTHERS

C. OTHER

MEAN = 18.9%

FREQUENCY	%	DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
17		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
225	72.5	
48	15.4	000
1	.3	001
2	.6	005
5	1.5	010
1	.3	020
3	.9	025
3	.9	030
1	.3	032
3	.9	040
8	2.5	050
3	.9	060
1	.3	070
1	.3	080
1	.3	085
1	.3	095
3	.9	100
	.0	ALL OTHERS

32. In general, do you think the library service is getting better or worse?

DEFINITELY BETTER..... 1 _____
 BETTER..... 2 _____
 SAME..... 3 _____
 WORSE..... 4 _____
 DEFINITELY WORSE..... 5 _____

FREQUENCY	%	DATA
310		TOTAL RECORDS READ
310		RECORDS SELECTED
7		UNIQUE DATA VALUES
1	.3	1
32	10.3	0
9	2.8	1
14	4.5	2
171	55.1	3
24	7.6	4
5	1.5	5
	.0	ALL OTHERS

MEAN = 2.5

DATA COLLECTION METHODOLOGY

The Rand Library distributed the questionnaire via the internal mail service to all 439 members of the professional research staff on February 24, 1975. The listing of professional staff members was supplied by Personnel. Administrators, editors, librarians, and non-exempt support staff were excluded from the survey. A letter from the President of Rand, Don Rice, requesting cooperation from the research staff was attached as a cover letter. (See Figure A for a copy of the cover letter.)

By March 7, 1975, the Library had received back 59% of the original mail out of 259 of 439 questionnaires. The first follow up was conducted on March 11, 1975 by general announcement. The article below was placed in "Rand Items," the weekly newsletter which is circulated to all personnel at Rand.

RAND LIBRARY EVALUATION SURVEY

"If you are still mulling over your copy of the Library Evaluation Survey, please complete and return it to the Library as soon as possible. Over 60% of the questionnaires, distributed February 24 to research staff members, have been returned. In order to have as complete an analysis as possible of the research staff's evaluation, the Library would appreciate your returning the questionnaire now if you have not already done so."

By March 20, the breakdown by department was as follows:


	<u>Distributed</u>	<u>Returned</u>	<u>% of Return</u>
Economics	60	44	73.3%
Engineering	51	35	68.6%
Information Sciences	81	50	61.7%
Management Sciences	112	77	68.8%
Physical Sciences	44	26	59.1%
Rand Computation Center	34	16	47.1%
Social Science	46	20	43.5%
Administration	5	5	100.0%
DPD	6	5	83.3%
Unmarked	-	1	-
Total	439	279	63.6%

The first follow up increased the response rate by 4.6%.

Figure A

MEMORANDUM

February 20, 1975

To: Research Staff
From: Don Rice 
Subject: LIBRARY QUESTIONNAIRE

The Rand Library with support from RCC is conducting a survey of user evaluation of library services. The purpose of this study is to provide the Library with information it can use to make changes and improvements in its services and resources, and to guide it in the development of future new services.

Your cooperation in answering the attached questionnaire is important to this study. The questionnaire is designed with skip pattern questions to speed you along and should take less than twenty minutes to complete. Please return the completed questionnaire to the Library not later than March 7.

DBR:jy
Attachment

On March 20, 1975 a second follow up utilizing a different method was implemented. An announcement was made during a ROMECE (Rand Office Management Evaluation Committee) meeting regarding the return of the questionnaire. The following excerpt is from the ROMECE minutes:

Library Questionnaire

"Cecily indicated that about 64% of the 439 questionnaires distributed had been returned. Quite a number of written comments had been received and the results are providing useful information and some excellent suggestions. The results will be analyzed via computer. Cecily requested assistance from administrators in several departments where the returns were slow in coming in. She will comment later on the final results of the questionnaire."

Following the meeting administrative assistants in the departments were also contacted and asked if they would contact researchers who had not responded to the questionnaire. They were given the names of those members of the research staff.

Not quite 68% of the questionnaires had been returned by April 14.

	<u>Distributed</u>	<u>Returned</u>	<u>% of Return</u>
Economics	60	47	78.3%
Engineering	51	38	74.5%
Information Sciences	81	52	64.2%
Management Sciences	112	82	73.2%
Physical Sciences	44	27	61.4%
Rand Computation Center	34	18	52.9%
Social Science	46	22	47.8%
Administration	5	5	100.0%
DPD	6	5	83.3%
Unmarked	-	1	-
Total	439	297	67.7%

The second follow up increased the response rate by 4.1%.

The third and final follow up was conducted on April 15, 1975 in "Rand Items."

LIBRARY QUESTIONNAIRE DEADLINE

"The deadline to return the Library questionnaire is Friday, April 25. The Library is eager to have all researchers (both Library users and non-users) express their library needs. If you have lost your questionnaire and need a replacement, call Ext. 368."

The third follow up increased the response rate an additional 2.9%

The final return totaled 310 questionnaires, or an overall 70.6% return. Final breakdown by department was as follows:

	<u>Distributed</u>	<u>Returned</u>	<u>% of Return</u>
Economics	60	49	81.7%
Engineering	51	38	74.5%
Information Sciences	81	56	69.1%
Management Sciences	112	87	77.7%
Physical Sciences	44	28	63.6%
Rand Computation Center	34	18	52.9%
Social Science	46	23	50.0%
Administration	5	5	100.0%
DPD	6	5	83.3%
Unmarked	-	1	-
Total	439	310	70.6%

The total number of respondents for the Rand Library Evaluation Survey was 310, a response rate of 70.6%. Users of this codebook should note that the marginals give the distribution of response for only the file of completed and returned questionnaires (n=310). These responses are therefore unweighted. The potential non-response bias can be evaluated in part by examining Table 10.0, "Response/Non-Response by Department Classification" and Table 11.0, "Response/Non-Response by Job Classification." Economics and Management Sciences Departments are slightly overrepresented and the Computer Services Department (then RCC) and the Social Science Department are slightly underrepresented in the file. The discrepancy between Personnel's record of department assignment and the individual respondent's perceived department classification is probably minimal. A slight non-response departmental bias is apparent but potentially unrelated to variables of interest because of departmental heterogeneity.

For job classification, assignment errors occur and the comparison and interpretation are more difficult. Respondents do not necessarily feel bound by the personnel classifications reflected in the instrument and in addition, change their choice of job classification as their particular job responsibilities change and identities are modified. Allowing for classification errors, no startling differences between theoretical and actual distributions occur, and social scientists still are underrepresented while

Table 10.0
RESPONSE/NON-RESPONSE BY DEPARTMENT CLASSIFICATION

Job Classification Listed in Questionnaire	Actual Response (How Respondent Perceived Department Classification)		Theoretical Response (Personnel Department Classification)	
	Frequency	%	Frequency	%
ADM	5	1.6	5	1.1
PERS	0	---	0	---
DPD	5	1.6	6	1.4
PSD	28	9.0	44	10.0
ECON	49	15.8 ⁽¹⁾	60	13.7
PUBL	0	---	0	---
ENGR	38	12.3	51	11.6
RCC	18	5.8 ⁽²⁾	34	7.7
ISD	56	18.1	31	18.5
SSD	23	7.4 ⁽²⁾	46	10.5
MSD	87	28.1 ⁽¹⁾	112	25.5
Unmarked	1	.3	0	---
Totals	310	100%	439	100%

(1) Overrepresented

(2) Underrepresented

Table 11.0
RESPONSE/NON-RESPONSE BY JOB CLASSIFICATION

JOB CLASSIFICATION LISTED IN QUESTIONNAIRE	Actual Response (HOW RESPONDENT PERCEIVED JOB CLASSIFICATION)		Theoretical Response (PERSONNEL JOB CLASSIFICATION)	
	Frequency	%	Frequency	%
ADMINISTRATION ¹	13	4.2	1	.2
COST ENGINEER	10	3.2	13	3.0
ECONOMIST	53	17.1	70	16
ENGINEER	34	11	61	13.9
LOGISTICS SPECIALIST	2	.7	4	.9
MATHEMATICIAN	26	8.4	49	11.2
SYSTEMS INFORMATION SPECIALIST ²	6	1.9	0	0
OPERATIONS RESEARCH SPECIALIST	23	7.4	21	4.8
PHYSICAL SCIENTIST	29	9.4	43	9.8
PROGRAMMER ANALYST	41	13.2	65	14.8
PSYCHOLOGIST	3	1.0	2	.4
SOCIAL SCIENTIST	38	12.3	73	16.6
COMPUTER SCIENTIST	13	4.2	13	3.0
OTHER (SPECIFY) ³	16	5.2	24	5.5
NO RESPONSE ⁴	3	1.0	-	-
TOTALS	310	100%	439	100%

¹One individual classified as an administrator by personnel requested the questionnaire. Otherwise administrators, editors and librarians were not on the distribution list which was restricted to professional research staff members. Those who responded "Administration" were often department heads, program managers, etc. who are not classified by personnel as "administration."

²Although six respondents indicated this job classification, personnel did not list it as a classification in 1975. Other respondents corrected the job title to "Information Systems Scientist" which personnel does list with 13 individuals.

³Respondents wrote in the following: RGI-researcher; information systems scientist (2); research programmer; senior staff member; statistician (3); natural scientist; military analyst (2); systems programmer; MD; research assistant; consultant to health program; site director. Personnel listed 3 job classification other than those on the questionnaire: information systems scientists (13); research programmers (10); natural scientist (1).

⁴One respondent tore the front page from his questionnaire; two listed themselves as "assistant professionals" and did not indicate a job classification.

economists are slightly overrepresented. For the mathematicians and operations research specialist, the differences are probably due to classification perception differences.

The non-response bias probably does not significantly affect the marginals. From another point of view, the library primarily serves its users and especially those users with a vested interest in the library policies. For the non-respondents the library can be considered a non-salient issue.

CLEANING PROCESS

The marginals in the codebook represent the data values exactly as they exist on the edited machine readable file of survey data. This data file is basically a computer image of the respondent's answer recorded in the questionnaire. The data values on this edited file, however, differ in certain documented ways from the original unedited hardcopy. Sometimes the respondent responded inconsistently, failed to follow the skip instructions, omitted questions and/or otherwise responded outside the structure of the instrument. In addition, some responses were unintelligible (i.e., two responses for a single item or an unreadable response). In order to improve both the quality of the data as well as reduce the hardcopy questionnaire responses to a machine readable file, an operation called "data cleaning" was performed by the Survey Data Preparation group of the Computer Services Department.

The survey data preparation cycle is both linear and iterative. For the Library survey the questionnaires were received from the library SDP's data control. After being inventoried, labeled, logged, and filed the materials formally entered the processing cycle. First, the questionnaires received a prekeypunch edit to insure that the document could be directly keypunched. When the prekeypunch edit was completed, the documents were transferred to data entry for the keying of the data onto computer tapes. The computer readable files as they come from data entry were then passed through a computerized cleaning program that checked the data for range and logic errors. When data did not conform to the cleaning specifications, an error report listing was produced. These error report listings were examined and evaluated by the editing staff to determine the nature of the error and the appropriate method of resolution. Eventually, the error reports were resolved by correcting or modifying the data; ignoring the error message and overriding the cleaning specification for the particular case; or overriding the cleaning specification and flagging the data value as suspicious.

When a case passed all the prescribed range and logic checks, it was declared "clean" and added to the accumulating clean master file. The "dirty" cases were cycled in an iterative process until all were declared "clean."

The accumulation of "clean" cases was then passed against the final version of the cleaning specifications and declared a master clean file. This edited data file, the final version of the machine readable cleaning specifications, a record of all corrections, updates and overrides, and a listing of all suspicious data values were then ordered in a transaction file for later use.

The data entry instructions for the library questionnaire were as follows:

1. Punch as shown.
2. Punch "I" in fields that cannot be read.
3. All fields that are blank are to be punched as blanks.
4. Right justify, and zero fill "written" number fields.

The following questions are the ones involved:

- a. Question #4 -- Years, Months.
- b. Questions #5:A, #5:B, #5:C -- percent.
- c. Question #29 -- percent.
- d. Questions #31:A, #31:B, #31:C -- percent.
5. Columns "77-78/" will be "blank" or "22" only.
6. Precede responses to questions #1 and #2 with zeros.

The new keypunched file with the exception of any data entry transcription errors, formatting conventions and/or "illegible" response fields corresponds directly to the hardcopy questionnaire it represents.

The cleaning process was designed to resolve three basic types of problems: data entry and reduction errors, respondent data inconsistencies, and non-data occurrences. The resolution of transcription or cleaning errors and non-data occurrences were clerical tasks, but respondent data inconsistencies presented situations of conflicting considerations of data quality, data integrity and interpretative bias.

The cleaning programs identified 208 dirty cases which produced a total of 548 error messages (141 range and 407 logic). These error messages reflected both inappropriate data values (i.e. blanks when a question should have been answered) and inconsistent data values based on a previously selected response. Whenever an editor was confident of the nature of the error, and the resolution was consistent with other data in the questionnaire, extra data produced when the respondent incorrectly followed skip pattern.

instructions was deleted and/or pointer/trigger question responses were modified. When in doubt, the response was not altered. Double responses were treated as missing data since it was usually impossible to be confident of the correct value. Missing data was coded zero when the respondent should not have omitted the question and left blank when the skip was appropriate. The editing process was executed in a conservative manner with regards to the updating of respondent given data.

Upon the completion of cleaning, the marginals were run utilizing the "edited" or master clean file.